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PRESS RELEASE

Government of India Awards 105 Scholarships to Kenyan Students for Academic Session 2026–27

The High Commission of India hosted an orientation session on 24 July 2026 at the High Commission of India premises in Nairobi, for Kenyan students who have been awarded Government of India's scholarships for the 2026–27 academic session. The event was well-attended by the recipients, several of whom shared their expectations and aspirations for their upcoming studies in India.

2. In his address to the students, the High Commissioner highlighted the long-standing, multifaceted partnership between India and Kenya, which is rooted in rich historical ties, shared democratic values, and vibrant people-to-people connections. He underscored the Indian Council for Cultural Relations' (ICCR) pivotal role in deepening these bonds through educational initiatives, cultural exchanges, and institutional engagements.

3. Reaffirming its commitment to strengthening India-Kenya educational cooperation, the Government of India awarded 105 scholarships to Kenyan students for the 2026–27 academic session. Under the India-Africa Maitri Scholarship Scheme, Kenya's annual allocation was increased from 80 last year to 102 this year for Undergraduate, Postgraduate, and Ph.D. studies. In addition, three Kenyan students received the prestigious Quad STEM Scholarship, bringing the total number of awarded scholarships to 105. The entire expenditure on international airfare, tuition fees, boarding, lodging, local transports as well as monthly stipend will be provided by the Government of India for the certain duration of the course.

4. The scholarship recipients have secured admission to some of India's leading institutions of higher learning, including IIT Roorkee, IIT Indore, Delhi Technological University, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Nalanda University (the world's first residential university), University of Delhi, Gujarat University, Andhra University, Bangalore University, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, and many other renowned Universities across India.

5. More than half of the beneficiaries will pursue postgraduate degrees, while others will undertake undergraduate and doctoral programs across key fields such as Engineering, Artificial Intelligence, Cybersecurity, Data Science, Business, Health Sciences, Agriculture, Education, and Social Sciences. Representing counties from across Kenya, the scholars highlight the nationwide impact and inclusive reach of the program.

6. The Government of India's flagship scholarship programs continue to play a significant role in developing skilled human resources and strengthening the longstanding friendship between both nations. Over the decades, thousands of Kenyan alumni educated in India have made valuable

contributions in government, academia, healthcare, business, science and technology, further deepening the people-to-people ties between the two nations.

7. The High Commission of India extends its warm congratulations to all scholarship recipients and wishes them the utmost success as they embark on their academic endeavors in India. Their successful completion of respective courses will further contribute to the human capital pool of the country.

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